



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ) Art Unit:  
Soren MOESTRUP )  
U.S. App. No.: 09/977,577 )  
National Filing Date: 10/16/2001 )  
For: THE FUNCTION OF A ... ) Docket No.: MOESTRUP=1A

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination upon the merits, kindly amend  
as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 15, 16, 29, 30, and 31 as follows:

15. (Amended) The Hp-Hb complex, or a part thereof, or a  
mimic thereof according to claim 1, wherein the substance  
comprises a tracer or a marker.

16. (Amended) The Hp-Hb as mimic, according to claim 1,  
wherein the mimic is an antibody.

29. (Amended) A method of treatment of an individual  
comprising administration of the Hp-Hb complex, or a part  
thereof, or a mimic thereof according to claim 1, the method  
comprising the steps of:

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